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Pyongyong, 25 May -- The Pyongyong radio reports that in the 3 years since the organization of consumers' cooperatives in North Korea, trade turnever has increase substantially. In the first quarter 1949, trade turnever exceeded the 1945 turnever two times, and in the second quarter 1949, three times. Several thousand trading centers, including many within industrial enterprises, have opened in the last 3 years. Cooperative trade is developing side by side with State trade and is playing an important role in stabilizing the market.

Consumers' cooperatives have created a number of manufacturing and auxiliary enterprises for dervice to workers. As of 30 March 1949, 375 industrial enterprises, producing 42 different types of consumers goods, had been organized in the cities. A total of 555 diring enterprises, barbershops, baths, sawing workshops, and other public service enterprises are now in operation.

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